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Media Release

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Re: Speeding Leads to Narcotics Arrest – 2023-29256

Date: September 13, 2023

On 09-12-2023, at approximately 11:56 p.m., a Hernando County Sheriff's deputy conducted a traffic stop on the driver of a vehicle speeding in the area of Spring Hill Drive and Parker Avenue.

Upon approaching the car, the deputy smelled the strong odor of marijuana coming from the vehicle. When questioned about the odor, the driver, **Cheney Perkins DOB/04-13-1995**, stated she had been at a local bar where other people had been smoking marijuana.

A check of Perkins' driver's license revealed that her license was suspended and that Perkins had previously been cited for **Driving While License Suspended/Revoked** on 09-03-2023.

Due to the strong odor of marijuana coming from the vehicle, the deputy asked Perkins if there were any drugs in the car, to which she advised she did have a "dime bag" in the console.

During a search of the vehicle, the deputy located several bags of marijuana in a backpack, which was sitting on the rear seat, along with two bags of cocaine and a scale. With the amount of narcotics located, in addition to the possession of a scale for weighing said narcotics, it was determined Perkins had the intent to sell the illegal substances.

Perkins was placed under arrest and charged with the following:

Cocaine Possession with Intent to Sell/Manufacture/Deliver (12.7 grams)

Marijuana Possession with Intent to Sell/Manufacture/Deliver (105.7 grams)

Drug Equipment Possession/Use

Perkins was also issued a written warning for the speed violation before being transported to the Hernando County Detention Center

Hernando County Crime Stoppers / Anonymous Tips

If you have information on this case, please contact Hernando County Crime Stoppers. You will remain anonymous!

Hernando County Crime Stoppers can be reached by phone at 1-866-990-TIPS (8477) or **TIPS from a cell phone.

You may also submit your tip via the internet at <http://www.hernandocountycrimestoppers.com> .

You will remain anonymous and also be eligible for a reward up to \$5,000 cash!